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Crop Progress and Condition



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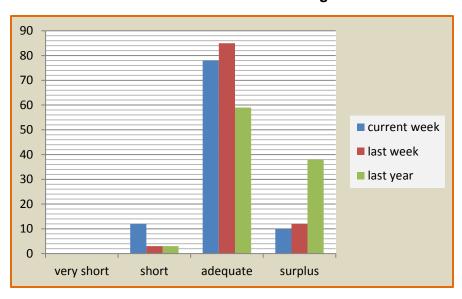
<u>Agricultural News</u>: Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.4. Weather conditions continued to be drier. Farming activities this week included preparing fields, calving and lambing.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 04/07/19

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
	%	%	%	%	
Topsoil	-	12	78	10	
Subsoil	-	9	74	17	
Hay & Roughage	3	43	51	3	
Feed grain	-	2	95	3	

⁻Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 04/07/19



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 04/07/19

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	1	68	30	1
Peaches	-	1	71	27	1
Hay	1	21	26	51	1
Winter Wheat	1	10	50	39	-
Pasture	-	38	21	38	3
Cattle & Calves	1	17	35	43	4
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	65	30	4

⁻ Represents zero.

LIVESTOCK PROGRESS for week ending 04/07/19

Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg	
	%	%	%	%	
Calved	76	71	69	74	
Lambed	76	74	72	78	

⁻ Represents data not available.

Weather Summary- For the week ending April 07, 2019

West Virginia began the week with well below average temperatures, but continued to warm through the week. With the warming trend, the State ended the week very close to normal. All stations were within three degrees of average with about half of the stations warmer, and the others slightly cooler. Dry conditions continued across the State. No stations met or exceeded average, and no precipitation was recorded at all on several days. Only light precipitation was reported with a couple of weak disturbances that crossed over the State during the week.

<u>Temperatures</u>: Charleston and Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 79 degrees. Elkins and Beckley had the lowest recorded temperature of 18 degrees. The state average temperature was 49 degrees.

<u>Precipitation:</u> Keyser had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.66 of an inch. Wheeling had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.05 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.29 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 04/07/19

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		Temperature				Precipitation				
				eekly	We	eek's	Since April 1st	Same Week	Season	
Station	High	Low	Average	Departure	Total	Norm	2019	Last Year	Normal	
NORTHWEST										
WHEELING	75	24	49	2	0.05	0.72	0.05	1.87	0.72	
PARKERSBURG	73	24	51	1	0.26	0.77	0.26	2.28	0.77	
CRESTON	77	20	48		0.21		0.21	2.13		
NORTHCENTRAL										
MORGANTOWN	76	27	50	1	0.33	0.83	0.33	2.03	0.83	
CLARKSBURG	77	25	50	1	0.18	0.83	0.18	2.10	0.83	
BELINGTON	75	23	48		0.17		0.17	1.70		
WESTON	76	22	49		0.32		0.32	2.03		
SOUTHWEST										
WILLIAMSON	79	24	53		0.16		0.16	1.53		
HUNTINGTON	77	24	53	0	0.25	0.78	0.25	1.45	0.78	
CHARLESTON	79	22	52	-1	0.39	0.73	0.39	2.32	0.73	
RIPLEY	77	20	48		0.21		0.21	1.93		
CENTRAL										
TERRA ALTA	71	19	43		0.37		0.37	3.06		
ELKINS	77	18	47	1	0.28	0.89	0.28	1.17	0.89	
MARLINTON	69	23	47		0.49		0.49	1.04		
SOUTHERN										
BECKLEY	72	18	47	-1	0.07	0.74	0.07	1.26	0.74	
PINEVILLE	77	19	50		0.34		0.34	1.40		
BLUEFIELD	74	20	49	-3	0.30	0.73	0.30	0.79	0.73	
WHITE SUL SP	71	21	48		0.11		0.11	0.82		
BLUESTONE DAM	71	22	51		0.29		0.29	0.61		
NORTHEASTERN										
MARTINSBURG	72	26	47	-2	0.53	0.78	0.53	0.77	0.78	
KEYSER	76	22	46		0.66		0.66	1.57		
MOOREFIELD	74	24	47		0.38		0.38	1.62		
State Average Temperato	ure 49									

State Average Precipitation 0.29

Source:

Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.